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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

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TOPIC Welzow Airfield

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1. The Welzow (N 52/A 44) airfield was observed from the railway bed on the northeast edge of the field between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thirty-six twin-engine aircraft, of the same type as previously seen in Cottbus (N 52/A 57), and seven biplanes were parked on the south and southeast edges of the field. There was no flying except for a biplane taking off and heading north. Trucks 3-07-00, E 5-31-89 and E 5-31-97 left the field. The latter was seen in Cottbus at 4 p.m.
2. Local residents said that the twin-engine aircraft arrived at the field about 3 April 1950.
3. The landing field was sodded and there were no hangars. Some cantonment buildings were in the woods southeast of the field.

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a. The Welzow airfield has, so far, not been occupied by an air unit. It was previously used by ground attack units as a training field. According to the reported motor vehicle numbers the bomber unit which reportedly arrived at the field was previously stationed in Finsterwalde.

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